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REMARKS

The Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection.

Claims 1-9, 13 and 16-20 remain pending.

Claims 10-12 and 14-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Wollrath et al., U.S. 6,519,615 (Wollrath) in view of Tremainc, U.S. 6,851,030 (Tremainc). Without admitting to the propriety of the Examiner's comments, the Applicants have canceled Claims 10-12 and 14-15, without traverse, in order to expedite allowance of the above application.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection and allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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